

DEXA

- x Women older than 65 years
- x Men older than 70 years
- x Post-menopausal women with risk factors*
- x Women older than 50 years with a fracture
- x on medications that can cause bone loss (corticosteroids for 3 months or more, high doses of thyroid medications and others)
- x over age 50 years and a diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis
- x loss of more than an inch in height
- x on treatment for osteoporosis
- x diagnosed with primary hyper parathyroid disease

- x Pregnant women

- x The DEXA scan is a kind of x-ray
- x It takes about 30 minutes to complete
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